

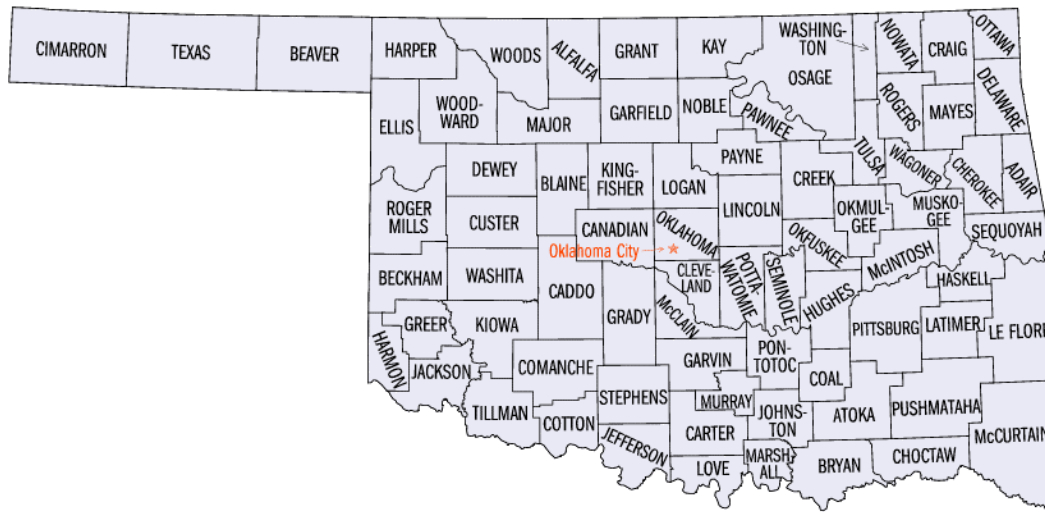
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Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

The following profile contains information on demographics, political figures, funding, programs, crime, drug use, drug trafficking, and enforcement statistics.

Demographics¹

- Population (2000 Census): 506,132
- Race/Ethnicity (2000 Census): 64.7% white; 15.2% black or African American; 3.2% American Indian and Alaska Native; 3.4% Asian; 0.1% Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander; 0.1% some other race; 3.2% two or more races; 10.1% Hispanic or Latino (of any race)
- Oklahoma City is located in Canadian, Cleveland, Oklahoma, and Pottawatomie counties.

Politics

- Mayor: Kirk Humphreys²
- City Manager: James D. Couch³
- Council Members (Ward 1-8, respectively): Mick Cornett (vice mayor); Amy U. Brooks; Lawrence F. McAtee, Jr.; Brent Rinehart; Jerry Foshee; Ann Simank; Willa Johnson; Guy Liebmann⁴
- Chief of Police: M.T. Berry⁵
- Canadian County Sheriff: Lewis G. Hawkins⁶
- Cleveland County Sheriff: F. Dewayne Beggs⁷
- Oklahoma County Sheriff: John Whetsel⁸
- Pottawatomie County Sheriff: Kurt Shirey⁹

Programs/Initiatives

- Oklahoma City Crime Stoppers¹⁰
The Oklahoma City Crime Stoppers was organized to give citizens a way of anonymously providing information to police and to create an incentive to give information to police by providing a reward for information used. Since its inception in 1979, the Oklahoma City Crime Stoppers program has resulted in the imprisonment of 3,800 criminals and over \$7 million in recovered drugs.
- Life or Meth – Oklahoma City Meth Task Force¹¹
The Oklahoma City Police Meth Team launched an ad campaign targeting the illegal use and production of methamphetamine.
- Oklahoma County Sheriff's Drug Abuse Resistance Education (DARE) Program¹²
The DARE program in Oklahoma County was implemented in 1997. In 1998, programs were conducted for more than 12,000 young adults. In 1998, a new 1999 Volkswagen Beetle was purchased from drug seizure funds to enhance efforts to reach Oklahoma County children. Printed on the vehicle is the slogan "Bugs-N-Hugs Not Drugs."

Federal Funding

- Drug-Free Communities Support Program¹³

Oklahoma City has not yet received Drug-Free Communities Support Program funding.

- FY 2001 SAMHSA Discretionary Funds received in Oklahoma City:¹⁴
 - Center for Mental Health Services:
 - \$49,000 to Oklahoma Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services; Project Period: 9/30/98-8/31/02
 - \$60,000 to Oklahoma Mental Health Consumer Council; Project Period: 9/30/01-9/29/04
 - \$100,000 to Oklahoma State Department of Health; Project Period: 9/30/01-9/29/03
 - \$149,527 to Eagle Ridge Institute; Project Period: 9/30/01-9/29/03
 - Center for Substance Abuse Prevention:
 - \$2,918,649 to Office of the Governor; Project Period: 9/30/00-9/29/03
 - \$99,467 to Eagle Ridge Institute; Project Period: 9/30/01-9/29/02
 - \$96,500 to Eagle Ridge Institute; Project: 9/30/00-9/29/02
 - Center for Substance Abuse Treatment:
 - \$300,000 to Oklahoma Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services; Project Period: 9/30/01-9/29/04
- Executive Office for Weed & Seed¹⁵

The Oklahoma City Weed and Seed program began in 1993.
- There were no Oklahoma City recipients of the FY 2002 Office of Justice Program Drug Court Grants.¹⁶
- FY 2001 Office of Justice Programs and Office of Community Oriented Policing Services Discretionary Grants received in Oklahoma City:¹⁷
 - \$96,531 to Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation ;
 - \$349,618 to University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center;
 - \$359,208 to Oklahoma Department of Public Safety;
 - \$400,000 to Oklahoma Department of Public Safety;
 - \$471,000 to Oklahoma Office of Juvenile Affairs;
 - \$3,225,800 to Oklahoma Office of Juvenile Affairs;
 - \$97,000 to Oklahoma Office of Juvenile Affairs;
 - \$926,000 to Oklahoma Office of Juvenile Affairs;
 - \$152,683 to Oklahoma Association of Chiefs of Police;
 - \$100,000 to Oklahoma Association of Chiefs of Police;
 - \$400,000 to Oklahoma Association of Chiefs of Police;
 - \$192,592 to Coalition Against Domestic Violence;
 - \$112,500 to Oklahoma County Sheriff's Department;
 - \$723,942 to Oklahoma County Sheriff's Department;
 - \$1,496,700 to Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation;
 - \$1,361,247 to Oklahoma Division of Criminal Justice;
 - \$50,000 to Oklahoma Criminal Justice Resource Center;
 - \$383,333 to Oklahoma Department of Public Safety;
 - \$549,999 to Oklahoma District Attorney Council;
 - \$1,022,199 to Oklahoma City;
 - \$106,496 to the County of Oklahoma;

- \$216,830 to the County of Oklahoma;
 - \$3,752,313 to Oklahoma Department of Corrections;
 - \$1,191,390 to Oklahoma Department of Corrections;
 - \$1,380,409 to Oklahoma Department of Corrections;
 - \$6,375,369 to Oklahoma District Attorney Council;
 - \$651,672 to Oklahoma District Attorney Council;
 - \$1,503,000 to Oklahoma District Attorney Council;
 - \$1,068,587 to Oklahoma District Attorney Council;
 - \$100,000 to the University of Oklahoma Health Science Center;
 - \$4,546,000 to Oklahoma District Attorney Council;
 - \$756,000 to Oklahoma Crime Victim Compensation Board.
- There were no Oklahoma City recipients of the FY 2001 Housing and Urban Development Drug Elimination Grant.¹⁸
- There were no Oklahoma City recipients of the FY 2002 Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Methamphetamine Grant.¹⁹

Crime and Drug-Related Crime

- During 2000, the crime index total was 47,845 in Oklahoma City.²⁰ This number decreased in 2001 to 45,875.²¹ Preliminary data for 2002 show that there were 22,979 crime index offenses known to law enforcement from January to June 2002 in Oklahoma City.²²

Offenses Known to Law Enforcement, Oklahoma City, 2000-June 2002

Offense Type	2000	2001	Jan-June 2002
Murder and non-negligent manslaughter	38	45	18
Forcible rape	388	405	233
Robbery	990	1,090	504
Aggravated assault	2,535	2,643	1,207
Burglary	7,280	8,405	4,121
Larceny-theft	33,012	29,771	15,224
Motor vehicle theft	3,602	3,516	1,672
Arson	216	222	101
Crime index total	47,845	45,875	22,979

- During 2001 in Oklahoma City, 15.4% of female arrestees reported using marijuana within the past 7 days.²³

Adult Female Arrestee Past Drug Use, Oklahoma City, 2001

Use	Crack Cocaine	Powder Cocaine	Marijuana	Meth	Opiates
Past 7 days	15.6%	5.9%	15.4%	12.6%	1.6%
Past 30 days	18.7%	8.0%	46.2%	14.7%	1.6%
Past year	21.9%	11.2%	51.9%	19.9%	2.0%
Average # of days used in month	8.4	4.7	9.3	8.6	6.5

- During 2001 in Oklahoma City, 47.5% of male arrestees reported using marijuana within the past 7 days.²⁴

Adult Male Arrestee Past Drug Use, Oklahoma City, 2001

Use	Crack Cocaine	Powder Cocaine	Marijuana	Meth	Opiates
Past 7 days	9.8%	4.9%	47.5%	11.3%	1.2%
Past 30 days	12.4%	6.9%	54.2%	13.5%	1.4%
Past year	13.7%	11.7%	61.2%	19.3%	2.1%
Average # of days used in month	6.5	4.5	10.8	8.5	10.8

- During 2001, 68.4% of adult male arrestees and 63.6% of adult female arrestees in Oklahoma City tested positive for drugs at the time of arrest.²⁵

Percentage of Adult Arrestees Testing Positive, Oklahoma City, 2001

	Male	Female
Cocaine	21.6%	26.8%
Opiates	5.0	3.6
Marijuana	50.7	41.0
Methamphetamine	10.9	15.8
PCP	2.5	2.3
Any Drug	68.4	63.6
Multiple Drugs	19.7	23.1

- In 2001, 53% of adult male arrestees and 46% of female arrestees in Oklahoma City reported purchasing marijuana within the thirty days prior to being interviewed.²⁶

Drug Acquisition in Past Thirty Days, Oklahoma City, 2001

Drug Type	Percentage of Male Arrestees	Percentage of Female Arrestees
Crack Cocaine	13.5%	18.9%
Powder Cocaine	8.5	8.8
Marijuana	53.0	46.0
Opiates	1.7	1.5
Methamphetamine	14.0	4.9

- Gangs operating in the Oklahoma City area are involved in violent acts such as drug-related shootings, drive-by shootings, and robberies.²⁷

Drugs²⁸

- Methamphetamine
Methamphetamine in Oklahoma City sold for \$65-\$90 per gram; \$350-\$1,600 per ounce; and \$12,000-\$20,000 per kilogram during the first quarter of 2002. Iodine crystals, which are diverted for use in methamphetamine production, sold for \$130-\$160 per pound.

- Cocaine
During the first quarter of 2002, crack cocaine sold for \$5-\$50 per rock; \$25 per vial; and \$750 per ounce. Powder cocaine sold for \$90 per gram; \$550-\$900 per ounce; and \$18,000-\$20,000 per kilogram.
- Marijuana
Commercial grade marijuana sold for \$2-\$5 per cigarette; \$10 per gram; \$75-\$90 per ounce; and \$500-\$600 per pound during the first quarter of 2002. Locally grown marijuana is in high demand because of its high quality and because residents prefer to deal with known suppliers.
- Heroin
Mexican black tar heroin sold for \$25 per bag; \$200 per bundle (10 bags); \$150-\$250 per gram; \$4,500 per ounce; and \$30,000 per kilogram during the first quarter of 2002.
- Club Drugs
MDMA tablets sold for \$10-\$40. MDMA has become increasingly popular among teenagers and young adults in the Oklahoma City area. During the first quarter of 2002, Rohypnol tablets sold for \$3-\$5 per dose; GHB sold for \$10-\$20 per dose; LSD sold for \$5-\$7 per dose; and PCP sold for \$10-\$15 per dose (retail quantity).
- Diverted Pharmaceuticals
Pharmacies in Oklahoma City have reported thefts of Oxycontin.

Enforcement

- As of October 2001, there were 1,260 total law enforcement personnel in Oklahoma City (1,010 officers and 250 civilians).²⁹

Trafficking and Seizures

- Crack distribution in Oklahoma City is associated with violent Los Angeles based street gangs such as the Bloods and Crips.³⁰
- The cocaine available in Oklahoma City is brought to the area by local suppliers who travel to large cities in Texas and return to the Oklahoma City area to distribute the product.³¹
- Oklahoma City is a transshipment point for marijuana because of its central location, well developed transportation infrastructure, and proximity to the U.S./Mexico border.³²
- Powder cocaine is distributed on the retail level by Mexican criminal groups, Hispanic street gangs (South Side Locos and Juaritos). Crack cocaine is primarily distributed by African American street gangs (Bloods and Crips) and Hispanic street gangs.³³
- Street gangs such as the Bloods, Crips, South Side Locos, and Juaritos sell retail levels of marijuana. Mexican and African American criminal groups and outlaw motorcycle gangs (OMGs) control retail distribution of Mexican produced marijuana.³⁴
- Heroin is distributed by Hispanic and African American street gangs at the retail level in Oklahoma City.³⁵
- In February 2000, law enforcement in Oklahoma City seized 154 bottles of ketamine with an estimated street value of \$30,000.³⁶

- During the first six months of 2002, 131 methamphetamine labs were seized in Oklahoma City.³⁷
- The number of methamphetamine labs processed by the Oklahoma City Meth Task Force has increased from 10 in 1997 to 163 from January to November 1, 2001.³⁸

Methamphetamine Labs Processed, Oklahoma City Meth Task Force, 1997-Nov. 1, 2001

1997	1998	1999	2000	Jan-Nov 1, 2001
10	66	112	153	163

Courts

- Drug Courts³⁹
As of January 2003, there was one drug court being planned in Oklahoma City. There were no drug courts operating in Oklahoma City.

Consequences of Use

- During 2000, there were 196 drug-related deaths in Oklahoma County.⁴⁰

Number of ME Drug Mentions, Oklahoma City*, 1999-2000

	1999	2000
Alcohol-in-combination	62	42
Cocaine	52	28
Heroin/morphine	25	19
Marijuana	--	--
Amphetamine	37	31
Methamphetamine	53	56
Club Drugs	--	1
Hallucinogens	--	1
Inhalants	5	11
Narcotics analgesics	97	78
Other analgesics	23	15
Benzodiazepines	35	27
Antidepressants	73	23
All other substances	66	44
Total drug deaths	226	196
Total drug mentions	528	376

* In 1999, Canadian, Cleveland, Logan, McClain, Oklahoma, and Pottawatomie Counties all provided data to DAWN. In 2000, only Oklahoma County provided data.

Treatment

- As of July 2002, there were 1,289 clients admitted for alcohol abuse; 2,979 clients admitted for substance related problems; and 6,022 clients admitted for any alcohol/drug problem in Oklahoma City.⁴¹
- During 2001, 7.0% of adult male arrestees and 9.3% of adult female arrestees in Oklahoma City had received drug treatment within the past year.⁴²

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